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Last Ship Of The Year To Be Launched

Champagne will splash for the 35th time during 1944, at Marinship, when the tanker SS Potrero Hills is launched at 12:30 p.m. on Saturday, December 30. Mrs. Frank L. Frizzell will swing the bottle in the final launching of 1944 at Marinship.

The 523-foot high speed tanker will be named for a petroleum field located a few miles east of El Segundo in southeastern Los Angeles county. This will be the 68th Marinship vessel and the 13th 8,250 horsepower tanker of the Hills class, named for important California oilfields.

Mrs. Frizzell is the wife of the resident auditor representing the United States Maritime Commission at Marinship.

Matron of honor will be Mrs. George Benkie. Master of ceremonies will be Robert Digges, administrative manager of Marinship Corporation.

Potrero oilfield has produced over 5,500,000 barrels of high gravity petroleum since discovery in 1928. Present production is 935 barrels per day from 25 wells.

Late Christmas Packages For Local People

More Marin City families are receiving their out-of-town packages after Christmas than before the holiday, yesterday said Thomas Bradley, local postmaster.

Bradley said the volume of mail handled at his office is much greater this week than at any time before Christmas. About 25 sacks of mail were arriving daily before the holiday, and this week he has been receiving around 45 sacks.

The first-class mail was also high December 26, with seven sacks arriving, instead of the usual four.

"Shipping delay and late mailing are the reasons", he declared. Bradley pointed out that the government advertised it could not guarantee delivery of packages if they were mailed after December 1.

However, he added, delivery of first-class mail has been prompt. Second-class mail, newspapers and magazines, were given low priority shipping space.

Little Girl Is Bitten By Dog

Mrs. E. H. McCall of House 162 reported to the local sheriff's office this week that her daughter Darline, age 4, was bitten by a dog belonging to Mrs. Mae Lundquist of House 184.

The little girl was treated at the Medical Center. Mrs. Lundquist was notified to tie the dog up for 10 days.

Visitor Disturbs City Peace

A visitor from Santa Rosa, Jerome A. Brendlin, broke a window in one of the commercial center buildings last Sunday. While a merchant was reporting the damage to sheriff's officers, the man started kicking down the office door.

He was booked at the San Rafael jail for disturbing the peace.

Give At First Blood Bank Day Of The New Year

A chance to start the new year off with a genuine contribution to our boys who are fighting is offered to every man and woman in Marin City when the Red Cross mobile unit visits here Friday, January 12 to collect blood for plasma.

The Red Cross desk at the rental office will be staffed tomorrow and next week so local people may make appointments for our first 1945 Blood Bank Day.

Saturday, December 30, residents may sign up between 9 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday, January 2 to 5, the desk will be staffed from 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

City Paper Drive At Our School Friday

The monthly paper salvage drive in Marin City will be held next Friday, January 5, at the local school building.

Parents are urged to send salvaged papers and magazines to the school salvage depot with their children.

This school collection is the only salvage drive now being maintained in Marin City. Therefore, in homes where there are no grammar school children, it is requested that the residents themselves should bring bundles to the school lobby.

Collectors are asked to tie papers and magazines securely into separate bundles to speed the collection process.

It is hoped that Friday's drive in Marin City will top last month's collection of two tons of paper salvaged for the nation's war effort.

OPA Tells Drivers How To Transfer License Numbers

Instructions to motorists for endorsing their gasoline ration books with their new 1945 automobile license numbers have just been announced by the Mileage Rationing Division of the District Office of Price Administration.

On receiving their new license plates, car owners should draw a line lightly through the old license number on the cover of the ration book, and write the new number above it. Care should be taken that the old number is not completely obliterated, OPA emphasized.

The same procedure of crossing out the old number lightly and adding the new one should be followed with the Mileage Rationing Record.

The old license number, written on the face of the gas coupons by the motorist upon receipt of the ration book, should not be changed on the individual coupons, OPA added.

Negro Girls For Hostesses Needed

The regular USO party for Navy boys at Treasure Island will be held January 10, 1945.

All Negro girls interested in being hostesses then will please register at the local USO Cottage or House 30, no later than January 9.

Cheats Death Three Times

Official U. S. Army Photo

Lieut. Robert D. Best, Frankfort, Ind., member of the Fifth U. S. Army Air Force, feels he has a right to grin. While on a mission against a Jap-held island, his plane was hit. His clothing caught fire, burning him severely; upon hitting the water, his plane broke in two, imprisoning him in the pilot's seat 40 feet beneath the surface. When a Navy "Catalina" rescued him, he was only 150 yards from the Japs. What are you doing to help the war effort? Buy at least an extra $100 War Bond tonday.

Adventure Picture At Adult Movie

The program of adult movies for next Thursday, January 4, will feature "Men O'Sail", an adventure of a sailing ship around the world.

"To the People", a picture on venereal diseases, will also be on the program. The film has been released by the California Department of Health.

A musical of American songs will complete the showing. The program starts at 8 p.m. in the Community House.

The Thursday night series of movies for adults will be held weekly in Marin City from now on, announces the Recreation Department, sponsor of the activity.

Children will be admitted only if accompanied by their parents.

Wife Seeks Mate With Unloaded Colt Revolver

Mrs. Tom Burton of A22 Apt. 174 effectively intimidated her husband last Sunday, causing the man to appeal to the local sheriff's office for protection.

When located by a deputy, it was discovered that Mrs. Burton was out gunning for her spouse with an unloaded Colt revolver.

She was taken to the county jail, charged with carrying a concealed weapon. The case against her was dismissed due to her children, and the gun was confiscated by Judge Paul Helmore of the Sausalito police court.

Worker Returns

Miss Virginia Berry is back at Marin City's USO Travelers' Aid Cottage after completing a training course at the New York USO office.

Joan Babcock Weds Marine Sergeant

Private First Class Joan Babcock of the Marine Corps Women's Reserve, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Babcock of Marin City, was married last Friday evening to Sergeant Louis G. Wata of the Marines in a military ceremony at St. Ann's Cathedral in San Francisco.

The bride and groom, both garbed in their military "greens", were attended by fellow Marine Corps members. Carrying a prayer book, the bride was given away by her father.

The newlyweds met several months ago in San Francisco, where both are stationed. Sergeant Wata had just returned from 28 months duty in the South Pacific and Joan had just completed her boot camp training.

The Watas' honeymoon was brief, as both Marines were on a 48-hour pass. They plan to be together in January on a short furlough from duty.

Attending the ceremony were the bride's parents from Marin City, her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Gleason Ray of Marin City, the groom's parents from Denver, and military friends of the Marine couple.

USO Hostesses Entertain Army Evacuees Friday

Two Marin City USO hostesses, Mrs. Malcolm Pendley and Miss Dorothy Guidry, attended a Christmas party for wounded servicemen from Hamilton Field last Friday.

The affair was given by the San Anselmo Masonic Lodge, with entertainment provided by local American Legionnaires.

New Year's Eve Dance Sunday Night

America's annual celebration night will be observed in Marin City this Sunday, December 31, with a gala New Year's Eve Dance to which all residents and their friends are invited.

Playing hot music for the occasion will be Johnnie Ingram's six-piece colored orchestra from San Francisco which has won popularity from local residents by its performance at several other functions here.

Plans have been made to handle a large crowd of holiday dancers from Marin City and the county. Traditional entertainment features will provide extra fun for this special evening.

Doors will open at the Community House at 8:30 p.m. Admission will be $1.

The dance is sponsored by the editorial committee of the Marin City Council to benefit The Marin Citizen.

G. I.'s Learn To Dance At Hamilton Field

Under sponsorship of the Marin County Recreation Department, Mrs. Betty Rupe goes to Hamilton Field two hours each Thursday evening to instruct the men in ballroom dancing.

The dancing classes have proved to be fun and recruits have steadily increased. As Pvt. Lillian Ramirez plays tunes on the piano, Mrs. Rupe demonstrates a step and the boys line up to execute it.

Most of the beginners are younger men, from 19 to 23 years of age, and many of them, having lived on farms pre-Army, never had a chance to learn to dance. They all enjoy it, come every week, and after six weeks of beginners' instruction in waltzes and fox trots, are ready for the advanced rhumbas, tangos and sambas. A special class for those who want to jitterbug is planned, too.

Government Man Offers Free Help On Tax Returns

A. H. Albin, deputy collector for internal revenue, will be in Marin City during January to offer free assistance to persons desiring to make changes in estimated tax payments. He will also be available during February for filing of tax returns and supplying information pertaining to final 1944 income tax returns.

The deputy will be in the Community House here January 11, 12, 13 and February 15, 16, 17.

Iloff Is New Instructor

L. G. Iloff, of House 793, this week became the new volunteer instructor of Marin City's model airplane class. The work has been his hobby for the last 16 years.

The class, sponsored by the local recreation department, meets every Wednesday from 6 to 8 p.m. in Building 398.

Iloff replaces V. Shidlovsky, who led the class here for several months, and won the gratitude of the department for the fine work he did as instructor.

Fire Gates Broken, Says Management

By MERRITT WEBSTER.

Management again asks that residents do not break the fire gates in the apartment area. The gates are there to keep cars out of the courts. We ask this for two important reasons: (1) cars driving in the court areas will break the sewer pipes which necessarily are near the surface of the ground and (2) in case of fire the fire trucks must be able to get into and around these courts without cars being in the way.

The older residents of Marin City already know this and have cooperated well. Perhaps the new residents, not knowing of past difficulties and broken sewer lines, are not aware of the importance to all of us of the fire gates. Recently a number of the fire gates have been broken. We would greatly appreciate reports from any resident when a fire gate needs to be repaired, and also information, if possible, as to how it got broken and who did it.

Completed

The SS Newhall Hills, Marinship-constructed tanker, was delivered into service with the Maritime Commission last Saturday — 68 days after keel laying.

If you want to get a correct slant on somebody, observe what he does when he has nothing to do.

War Bond and Nylon Racket Investigated

The Treasury Department, Police Department and Better Business Bureau joined forces today in an attempt to locate a young man who has defrauded local housewives by collecting money for War Bonds and nylon hosiery.

Complainants state that the man first telephoned them, stating he was an official of a downtown women's specialty shop and that in order to boost War Bond sales, the shop would sell a pair of nylon hosiery for $1.44 to every War Bond purchaser. When they agreed, he promised to send a man around to their home to collect the money. The complainants report that they were told that they could call at the shop within a week to pick up the hosiery and the bond, but that when they called at the shop no one there had any knowledge of the matter. No receipts were given to any of the victims.

The Bureau again pointed out that it is exceedingly unwise to pay money to strangers. and asked that any housewife approached on a deal of this kind should report the facts to the Bureau for investigation as soon as possible.

Donation

The Marin City Women's Club donated 20 dollars to the Camp and Hospital Service Committee of Marin County Chapter, Red Cross.

Services at New Church Building

CATHOLIC

Father Henry O'Flynn.
Saturdays, Christian Doctrine classes by Sisters of the Holy Family, 9:15 to 11:15 a.m.
10 a.m., Confessions.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Dale A. Williamson, Evangelist
Bible Study, Friday, 7:30 p.m. at House 489.
Bible School, 10 a.m. (Bible School Program).
Preaching and Communion, 10:45.
Evening service, 7:30.

FIRST MISSIONARY BAPTIST

Rev. W. Franklin.
Sundays. 12 noon to 2 p.m., Sunday School and Church.
Thursdays, 7:30 to 9 p.m., Prayer Meeting.

LUTHERAN

Rev. John Jacobsen.
Sundays (first and third), 2 to 3:30 p.m.
Saturday, 2:30 p.m., Children's classes at House 249.

ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Rev. Floyd Smith.
Sunday service, 3:30 p.m.
Wednesday, 7:45 p.m.

CALVARY BAPTIST

Rev. Harold Hettema.
Sunday, 5 p.m., Vesper Service.
Thursday, 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., Children's Story Hour.
Friday, 7:45 p.m., Bible Study.

LATTER DAY SAINTS

Elder William Coffey.
Saturday. 2 to 5 p.m., Primary Class.

FUNDAMENTALIST BIBLE

A. Brown, Teacher.
Monday, 7:30 to 9 p.m., Young People's Class.
Tuesday, 7:30 to 9 p.m., Adult Class.

VICTORY BIBLE CLASS

7:30 p.m., Monday, House 38. Mrs. C. H. Olsen, teacher.

CHILD EVANGELISM CLASS

7:30 p.m., Monday, Religious Center; Mrs. C. H. Olsen, teacher.

BIBLE CLASS

7:30 p.m., Tuesday, Undenominational. All are invited. Bring your Bible. Thomas A. Brown, teacher.

Colleges Postpone Action On Compulsory Military Training

Stressing the need for adequate vocational and technical training as well as military training, members of the California Junior College Federation had gone on record today as recommending postponement of the whole question of compulsory military training until hostilities cease. In resolutions adopted at its mid-winter conference at the University of California, a program was outlined for future training along military and technical lines, and members of the federation asked that legislation for military training be not hastily prepared during a period of stress and during the absence of members of the armed services. Following is the program recommended:

That training for national service be a function of secondary schools and colleges;

That all such schools require every pupil, male and female, not enrolled in a vocational, technical, or other course which has direct war value, to take at least one designated national service course;

That R.O.T.C. or similar military training be required for one year in high school or college;

That every able-bodied male student, 17 to 21 years of age, be required to attend one summer camp conducted by military authorities;

That all able-bodied males, whether students or not, between 17 and 21, be required to attend such camps;

That every able-bodied male up to 32 years of age be required or urged to attend one such summer camp every five years.

Marin Junior College was represented at this meeting by Carlton E. Cherry and Wallace W. Hall.

Badminton

Every Wednesday evening from 7:30 to 9:30, in the Fairfax gymnasium, there is a badminton class for men and women sponsored by the Marin Recreation Department, and under the direction of Homer Sisk. Any adult living in Marin County is eligible to play. Rackets are furnished. Shuttlecocks may be purchased at the class.

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Teener Topics

Edited by NANCY LARSEN.

Council Highlights

The Teener Council meeting Tuesday night was called to order by Mayor Willie Rombke. The minutes of the last meeting were not given because the secretary, Lynn Draper, was absent. The treasurer reported that there is $2.20 in the treasury. Mrs. Earl James came up to the Council meeting and gave a talk on the importance of the Teener dance on Friday night. Mrs. James expressed the importance of getting to the dances earlier and being able to dance longer. A lot of kids get there late and want to dance longer but have no more time. So come on, let's all get there early.

NEW YEAR RESOLUTIONS

We look into the future and see the following Teeners making these resolutions:

Dennis Pecaut resolves to go steady with one girl throughout the year. (Could this be possible?)

Madilyn Walker has decided to quit wolfing.

Carla Norgren is going to be less bashful. (Ha-ha.)

Marvin Gardiner resolves to find more blondes.

Glenn Bishop resolves to meet more San Anselmo girls.

Dorla Faubel resolves to give up all her boy friends for the Navy.

Betty Massie resolves to try harder for her men in the coming year.

THE LITTLE BIRDIE SAYS:

Did Santa bring Betty Massie what she wanted for Christmas — namely, Glenn Bishop?

Neiva Campbell (known as "Red" to a few boys in Marin City) stayed with Nancy Larsen for Christmas. She would like to have seen a certain Vic Hoppe.

Is it the truth Elsie Young really wore a skirt once, instead of jeans?

George Price wanted Betty Knutson to dance with him, awfully bad. Why, George?

Where did Norma Stanley get all the mistletoe?

What were Glenn Bishop and Dorla Faubel doing writing love letters in a room by themselves?

The Teener Topics staff wishes you all a very Happy New Year.

Auto License Plates For '45 To Be Issued

New license plates—the first in four years—will be available to motor vehicle owners in the Marin area beginning next Tuesday morning, January 2.

The registration renewal office serving this area is located at California Highway Patrol Office, south of San Rafael. The 1945 renewal will be in charge of Capt. Emory Dawson.

Only one plate will be issued for each vehicle and it will be displayed on the rear. The vehicle owner may obtain the plate by presenting his 1944 Registration Card (white slip) and the correct amount of the fee as shown in the lower left portion of the cord.

Dawson emphasized that the 1944 Registration Card must show the present address of the applicant and that if the applicant has moved he should cross out the old address and print in the new carefully in ink. The 1945 Registration Card will be mailed to the address shown on the old card.

From Sacramento, Gordon H. Garland, Director of the Department of Motor Vehicles, announced 1945 plates and certificates may be ordered by mail by forwarding the fee and 1944 Registration to the certificate-issuing office nearest the applicant's present address. Vehicle owners of this area who desire to conserve their gasoline and tires by using this method should mail applications to the Department of Motor Vehicles, 160 S. Van Ness Avenue, San Francisco.

We talk for two reasons: Some of us because we have something to say, but most of us because we want to say something.

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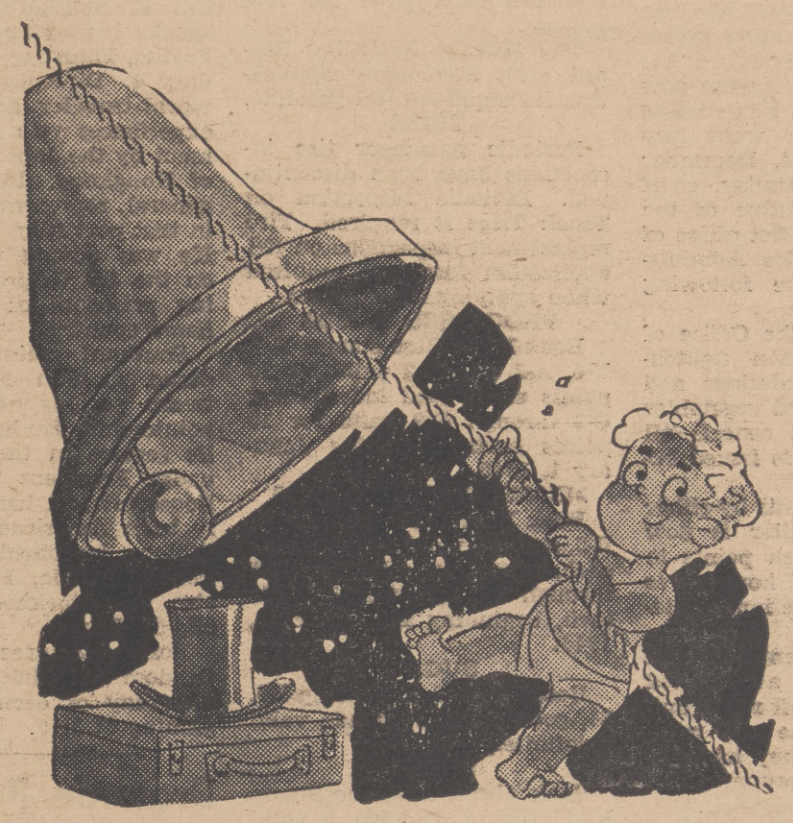

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OPA Gives Ration Point Warning

Warning housewives and other consumers, as well as all retail merchants, that the use of red and blue ration points issued before December 1 has been made illegal by the new Washington OPA rationing regulations which went into effect at midnight, December 25, George A. Faraday, chief enforcement executive of the San Francisco district office of the Office of Price Administration, issued the following statement today:

"The order of the Office of Price Administration tightening rationing regulations and returning all canned vegetables to the ration list cancels all red and blue points issued before December 1.

"Use of such points by either consumer or retailer is now illegal and all such points in the possession of housewives or others should be immediately destroyed.

"The enforcement division is now conducting a concerted drive to see that all retail outlets conform to the new regulations and that they have, at all times, the proper point values in their possession."

Telephone Service At R. C. Chapter

In order to take care of emergency telephone calls, primarily for nursing service on Sundays and holidays when the local Red Cross Chapter office is closed, arrangements have been made to call San Rafael 5200.

The office is open daily from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m. at 712 Fifth Street, San Rafael, and may be reached by calling San Rafael 452, however, if there is no answer call San Rafael 5200.

New Years Gift

A New Year's gift from the Marin County Recreation Department came this week to Teener Club "399". The gift includes a variety of popular games: monopoly, parcheesi, Chinese checkers, pit, Elmer Layden's football game, dominoes, rook, checkers and bingo.

Decorations

Working on decorations for the community Christmas party were Mesdames A. Hart, R. Cooper, J. Bingham, M. Roland, W. Whiteside—all Women's Club members. They were assisted by Girl Scouts.

Egotism is a mental anaesthetic that deadens the pain of making a fool know he's a fool.

Ration Calendar

GASOLINE

A-14 coupons valid for four gallons each through March 21, 1945. B-4 and C-4 valid for five gallons each through December 31, 1944. B-5, B-6, C-5 and C-6 each good for five gallons.

The Mileage Rationing Record must accompany application for supplemental gasoline.

TIRES

Periodic passenger tire inspections have been discontinued. Periodic inspection on **Truck Tires** is required. Tire replacement inspections on R-1 application form are required when applying for all tires.

PROCESSED FOODS

Book Four: Blue stamps X-5, Y-5, A-2, and B-2 valid for 10 points each, good indefinitely; C-2 through G-2 valid for 10 points each, beginning January 1, 1945.

MEATS, FATS AND OILS

Book Four: Red stamps Q-5, R-5, and S-5 valid for 10 points each, good indefinitely; T-5 through X-5 valid for 10 points each, beginning December 31, 1944.

SUGAR

Book Four: Sugar Stamp No. 34, good for five pounds, valid indefinitely.

SHOES

Book Three: Airplane Stamp No. 1, No. 2, and No. 3 valid indefinitely.

BUTTER

Creamery butter rationed at 24 red points per pound.

Xmas Accident Spoils Xmas Joy

In an automobile accident on Donahue Street Christmas Day, the right rear fender of John Hicks' car was damaged. He is a resident of B4-585.

The other party to the crash, Allen Eott of San Francisco, reported no damage to his vehicle.

Cookie Brigade

Members of the Marin City Women's Club, under chairmanship of Mrs. C. W. Miller, baked 1539 Christmas cookies for the boys at Fort Cronkhite.

Diplomat To Address Mill Valley Forum

"What Other People Think of Us" is to be told by Addison E. Southard, when he speaks before the Mill Valley Forum, Thursday evening, January 4. Diplomat, author and world traveler, added to other experiences was his imprisonment by the Japs upon the fall of Hongkong. He was consul general, representing the U. S. in that port from 1938 to 1941. He was among the voyagers on the SS Gripsholm, returning prisoners of war to the home country.

Southard maintains a residence in San Francisco between periods of official appointments. He began his public service in the Philippines under President Theodore Roosevelt and has subsequently been American minister to Ethiopa, in consular service in Persia, Arabia, Palestine and also in Stockholm, Sweden and in Paris.

Forum lectures are at the Outdoor Art Club, on the first Thursday of each month, beginning at 8:15.

Brownie Party

The Brownie Girl Scouts met at the home of Mrs. Lilas Troutman Friday afternoon for a Christmas party. Gifts were exchanged, games played, and presents were wrapped for Marin City's shut-in children.

The children had a merry time popping corn and eating homemade ice cream and cookies.

Big Increase In Marin's Population

Population of Marin County at January 1, 1945, will be 78,100, California Taxpayers' Association stated today, making public its annual estimate of population of California counties.

Population of the county a year ago, the association estimates, was 71,500. The 1940 federal census showed 52,907 people in the county. Since 1940, the county has grown by 25,200 persons, or 48 per cent.

Assessed value per person of taxable property in Marin County this year averaged $698 for each person in the county at January 1, 1945. Total assessed value of property in the county for 1944-45 is $54,530,065.

Property valuations in the county averaged $739 per capita for 1943-44, the association found, and a total valuation amounting to $52,842,419.

Over the State as a whole, the assessed value of taxable property averages $935 for each of the 8,842,700 estimated population of the State at January 1, 1945, the association said. Total valuation of property in California for taxable purposes for 1944-45 is $8,267,099,366.

For 1943-44, the assessed value of property averaged $942 for each of the estimated 8,373,080 persons in the State at January 1, 1944.

Kerosene Stove Fire Starts When Resident Is Away

Fire damage to House 269 was restricted to a kerosene stove yesterday, when the Marin City Fire Department extinguished a blaze started there while residents were away.

Quick action by local firemen followed their spotting smoke pouring from windows of the home, which is across the street from the fire station.

Resident of the house is Mrs. Jessie Foster.

Carollers

Girl Scouts of the Marin City Intermediate Troop sang Christmas Carols at Albert's Department Store in San Rafael Wednesday, the week before Christmas.

As a man grows older and wiser he talks less and says more.

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Cresta Blanca Champagne, large		2.74
Cresta Blanca Sparkling Burgundy, large		2.74
Madera Sweet Wines	5th	1.16
Cresta Blanca Sweet Wines	5th	1.12
Roma Sweet Wines	5th	1.11
Embasador Sweet Wines	5th	1.30

RUM

Marimba Rum—Imported	5th	4.82
Bacardi Puerto Rican Rum	5th	4.13
Ron Zoro Imported Rum	5th	3.99

BRANDY

J. Bavet Fine Brandy	5th	5.02
Cornett V. S. Q.	pint	2.59
Lejon Brandy	5th	4.15

WHISKEY

Harwoods Imported Canadian	5th	6.16
Schenley Black Label	5th	3.97
Schenley Black Label	pint	2.48

GIN

Burtons Gin	5th	2.23
Dixie Bell Gin	5th	2.13
Bols Silver Top Gin	5th	5.83

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WOMEN'S PAGE

Loss Of Locket

A shadow fell across Nora Toppila's Christmas Day joy when she lost her heart locket, a present given her on her seventh birthday.

The finder is urged to cheer up Nora by returning the necklace to House 642, where she is anxiously waiting with a $1 reward.

Princess Shop Buy Lines

Someone tells us that there is a fine bit of rug cutting scheduled for New Year's Eve at the Marin City Community Hall. And the Princess Shop at 11 Princess Street in Sausalito has just the dresses to make you feel your gayest for this festive occasion.

Speaking of "Watch Parties," while you'r blowing the New Year in, let us do a bit of blowing about our pre-Inventory Sale. Beginning Tuesday, January 2, 1945, we are going to put our dresses out at reduced prices. You'll find a good selection of sport and dressy garments really marked down.

There has been a lot of kidding about sweater girls, but it is no laughing matter. As anyone knows this climate calls for sweaters if you are going to be comfortable during the winter months. We have stocked a beautiful selection of slip-over and cardigan style sweaters in all the lovely new shades.

Someone once said, "Everybody talks about the weather but no one does anything about it." Well we're trying. Have you noticed that heavy dew falling lately? We have a selection of rain-wear designed to perk up your spirits and make you a gay spot on a dreary day. Come in and look at our rain coats.

Naturally we join with your other friends in wishing you a very good and prosperous New Year, but we also want to take this opportunity to say, that as a community, Marin City people are doing a fine and commendable job of assisting in the war effort. We are grateful to you for your long hours of heavy work and your cooperative spirit in helping to bring victory for the Allied Nations closer.

—Paid Advertisement.

Strictly Personal . . .

Donald Hines was a guest in the home of his cousin, Albert Bond, and family, Thursday and Friday of last week. Don is a Seabee home on leave after 16 months' service on Attu.

Mrs. Emily M. Mayle of Venice is spending the holidays with her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Litton of House 67.

Tillie O'Brien of House 64 returned last week from Santa Ana, where she was visiting her fiance, Sgt. J. E. Drennan of the Army Air Corps, who has returned from England where he completed 32 missions.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Bond and family, Mr. and Mrs. Orval Walls and family, Mrs. Geraldine Ward with daughter Ginger, and Clyde McVey visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Walls of Modesto Sunday. The Walls are former Marin City residents.

Mrs. Rex Burright, sister of Verne Olson, and her children were Christmas holiday guests at the Olson home this week.

Gordon Geer, cousin of Stanley Beidman, and Herbert Thieme, brother of Mrs. Beidman, were servicemen guests at the Beidman's Christmas dinner.

Pvt. Virginia Lindberg, member of the Marine Corps Women's Reserve and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Vern Lindberg, was home for the Christmas holidays on a seven-day furlough. She has been on active duty with the Corps since April, stationed at San Diego.

Members of the Marin City Women's Club regretfully said goodbye recently to Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Leander, who have moved to San Jose. Mrs. Leander has been active in the group, serving as treasurer for one year and secretary for the remainder of this year.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Campbell had as guests on Christmas Day, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Utlaut of Richmond and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Husel and daughter Carol of Marin City.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Fowler and son spent Christmas at Los Gatos with their daughters, Mrs. A. C. Anderson and Mrs. B. E. Smith.

Sgt. Gay Sandul from Hamilton Field was a Christmas dinner guest at the Earl James home. Sgt. Sandul is recuperating at the Army Hospital from a plane crash on Saipan.

Merle F. Matthias, proprietor of Marin City's Beauty Shop, is in the hospital with a severe case of influenza.

A marriage license was issued this week to Murphy Payton, 23, and Ella West, 18, both of Marin City.

Homemade Party Fare For Fort Cronkhite Servicemen

Mrs. B. C. Bloomquist, Mrs. G. W. Miller, Mrs. R. G. Bremer and Mrs. J. R. Kahrt of the Sausalito Red Cross Canteen this week expressed their great appreciation for the generous donations of cakes, cookies and candies contributed by Marin City women for the servicemen's Christmas party at Fort Cronkhite. The local ladies who responded to the appeal for homemade pastries were Mesdames E. J. Andring, L. J. Bright, Clara Bishop, D. J. Grimm, R. Cooper, Oscar Von Scheven, R. Marshall, H. W. McGuire, Arthur Hart, Gene Middleton, M. G. Roland, W. R. Schuppan, Earl James and Miss Jeanette Makaroff.

The canteen women and their cargo of food were transported to Fort Cronkhite by Army truck. Upon arriving, they found the recreation room beautifully decorated with a lighted Christmas tree, wreaths and greenery. The servicemen's orchestra provided music for dancing, and the decorated tables were laden with sandwiches, cakes, cookies and candies.

The soldiers and their hostesses expressed appreciation all during the evening to the women who provided the party refreshments.

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Hedda Hopper: Looking at HOLLYWOOD

CECIL B. DE MILLE has been called a combination of **Napoleon, Belasco** and **Beau Brummel**, but **P. T. Barnum** would be much better, because De Mille, like Barnum, is a great showman.

His record is unbelievable. His films have earned a shocking amount of money — more than $200,000,000. This doesn't include returns from his latest, "The Story of Dr. Wassel," which stars **Gary Cooper** and which Paramount claims will made more money than any other Paramount picture with one exception, perhaps—"Reap the Wild Wind," in which I got my puss for a smart quarter of an hour.

Ever since C. B. founded Hollywood as the movie capital of the world (in 1913 with "The Squaw Man") his astute showmanship has been apparent. "The Sign of the Cross," "King of Kings" (which still is the most played film in history), and "The Ten Commandments" still are milestones in this picture business of ours.

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King for a Day

De Mille is a wise and gay man, rich with wisdom and experience. At 63 years he's become spokesman for the film capital. He reaches 40,000,000 people weekly on his radio show. When he recently went to Washington, D. C., to participate in the premiere of "The Story of Dr. Wassell" he was given the No. 1 treatment reserved invariably for visiting potentates. He got pomp and circumstance from the President down the line to foreign ambassadors. In other words, for one day the most discussed man back there was C. B. De Mille. He set the stage and they gave him the works.

Many entertaining stories have grown up about him—many of them true, too. There was, for instance, the time De Mille was making "Cleopatra," and the sequence called for **Claudette Colbert** to grasp an asp (that's a snake, dearie) to her breast and let it do her in. De Mille knew Claudette loathed snakes. He knew if he asked her to hold one she'd walk off the set — or faint. Well, two weeks before the scene De Mille rented a huge boa constrictor from a local zoo, had it brought on the set in a box. Claudette fainted when she saw it. De Mille told her to be brave, to try to get used to its presence. Then one day before the scene was scheduled De Mille had a tiny asp brought in. "What's that?" asked Claudette. "This little thing is just an asp," De Mille replied, looking at Claudette. "Why, that itty-bitty thing couldn't hurt anybody," said Claudette, picking up the asp and looking sideways at the huge reptile in the box. "Who could be afraid of a little thing like you?" Claudette said as she did the scene; and De Mille smiled wisely.

Time or the day means nothing to C. B. when he's making pictures. Sundays, nights, they're all the same.

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William Demarest received a pistol from **Winfield Sheehan.**

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FOUND—A ring in the Marin City cafeteria. Owner may claim by identifying ring and paying for ad.

MARINSHIP SLOWED DOWN

The agenda for Marin's Board of Supervisors was jammed last Monday, but due to the absence of Supervisor R. A. Thompson, of Novato, definite action on the more important matters were set aside until Thompson has recovered from a serious illness and has rejoined the Board.

The workers at Marinship having been going a little too fast lately—not just in their record breaking production. The result is that the Board Monday approved the installation of safety traffic lights at Gate 1 and Gate 4. According to the Supervisors' order the signs were to be placed by January 1, but according to word from southern Marin they are already in use.

A proposal to place the collection of delinquent taxes in the hands of the Tax Collector and remove this work from the County Auditor's office, was approved by the Board and will be presented at the 1945 session of the Legislature.

Set over for consideration at a later date was the proposed plan of Marin's mayors for a county-wide planning commission to facilitate and coordinate post-war planning throughout the county, and a suggestion from the Conservation League that they offer the owner of Shell Beach, one of the Tomales Bay beaches, the sum of $25,000 for 500 acres of land including the beach. The county's participation in this would be for the sum of $12,500. Although Supervisors Kehoe, Bagshaw and Fusselman approved the matter, no official action was taken.

Further business before the Board included the approval of all Planning Commission action on five applications; setting of January 22 as the date for public hearing on forming of a Bayview Terrace Sanitary Maintenance District; granting of sick leave to District Attorney Harold Haley until the first of January;

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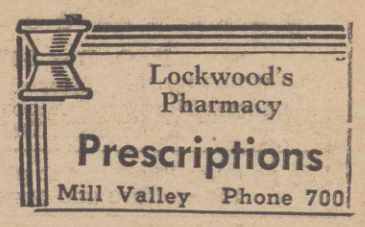

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World Organization Now

The present tragedy in Greece, Italy and Belgium cries out for a world organization to be established now rather than when the war is finished.

Mr. Churchill, representing Britain, should have to refer his actions to a world organization and not be left in a position where he can act alone. Then there would be hope that actions taken would be for the benefit of the whole world rather than being benificial to one nation alone.

The present European situation does not mean that our country should withdraw from world affairs. Again it appears that a large measure of responsibility rests with the United States to enter into world problems more quickly and more fully.

Only when nations act together in meeting conflicts and difficulties which arise, is there any chance for a democratic solution.

With our boys now dying on the battlefront, it is high time that our leaders acted more decisively to build that democratic world of peace for which our men are fighting.

MIKE'S COLUMN

By MICHAEL B. SMITH

This is more than a New Year's resolution. This is the story of a man's hope and his firm resolution that before the coming year will have ended, he will be on the way to becoming the type of person he should have been all along.

It came to me last week. As I stood balanced gracefully on the balls of my feet I contemplated the figure before me. With a cat-like grace that equaled mine, he likewise stood on the balls of his feet.

For two hours we stood thus.

Although I know that in the years to come, I shall endeavor to be less and less like him. In that swift appraisal of this man I had come to have a sneaking admiration for him.

Indeed, by ordinary standards, the man before me would command the respect, admiration and envy of 90 per cent of his fellow men. His unusually high forehead bespoke a mighty intellect. His finely-chiseled features were replete with a straight nose, a strong chin, and steady, penetrating eyes.

Of medium height, his body had the supple compactness of the natural athlete.

Why, then, one might ask, am I determined to become less and less like him?

As I turned from the full-length mirror the reason suddenly occurred to me.

This man can never succeed for precisely the reason that he is so unlike the average man. He is too conspicuous.

This, then, is my New Year's resolution:

"Day by day, in every way, I am going to seek to become as much like the average man as possible. Only in this state of oneness with my fellow man is real achievement possible. In fact, I shall not only be average, I'll be sub-normal."

It may take time. But then I have only until Monday to wait the beginning. The interim will be spent in making certain necessary emotional adjustments.

Come Monday, I shall inaugurate these few subtle changes in my appearance and conduct: In my walk I shall abandon the familiar cat-like tread for the more comfortable sloth-like slouch. Or perhaps I shall waddle occasionally. My shoulders will be less erect. In time they should become well rounded.

Instead of quickening my step as I pass a bar, as I have been wont to do, I shall quicken my step without passing.

My eyes will be less frank, indeed furtive. Instead of looking any man in the eye, I shall henceforth stare at my knees when conversing with a friend.

My high forehead is going to be a problem—what with my growing baldness. As this is written it would seem the only solution is to stop combing my hair. I recognize this is only a palliative measure since I am destined to be entirely bald in a short time. But this strategy should do as a stop-gap.

These few steps will serve as a beginning. People will notice the change almost at once.

It is growing late and I must retire. I will not wait until Monday, I shall start my reforms this very night.

Instead of wearing my blue-striped pyjamas to bed, I shall wear my blue-striped pyjamas without the tops. Furthermore, I'll wear my work shoes to see if my wife notices the change.

Recreation Schedule

December 29 to January 5

MORNINGS:

Gym—Tuesday and Thursday, 10:30-11:30.
Crafts—Mon., Wed. and Fri., 10 to 11:30.

AFTERNOONS:

Gym—Mon., Tues., Wed., Thurs., Fri., 2 to 5.
Crafts—Mon., Tues., Wed., Thurs., 2 to 5.
Movies—Saturday, 1:30 to 3:30.
Children's Club, Saturday, 3:30.

EVENINGS:

Gym—Mon., Tues., Wed., Fri., 6:30 to 9 for Young Children; 8 to 9:30 for Teeners.
Movies—Thurs., 6:30 to 7:30.
Model Airplane Class—Wednesday, 6 to 8, Bldg. 398.

"TAKE IT AWAY, SON!" - By COLLIER

Resolutions For The New Year By Nurse Chick

"THANK HEAVEN I CAN HAVE A NEW BEGINNING!—
Let me make the most of my time this year.
Let me live beautifully, generously and with discernment.
Let me bid goodnight to each day not ashamed to look it in the face.
Don't let me miss anything that I can learn from.
Let me give my gifts with a seeing eye and a listening heart, an open mind and a will to do.
And the power to love without measure without asking anything back.
Give me the memory that remembers beauty and perfection.
Let me listen often to the still small voice.
A new, clean page on which this time I will write nothing that is untrue.
Simple, pure honesty all year long.
Beauty and poise. Art of living. A royal sense of timelessness and grace.
Good, strong, gay, sober things on that year page. Courage, too."

You write your book of life—each year a page. Make it true. Make it interesting. Make it glow.

Make it uncluttered and simple and beautiful. A shelter of restfulness for weary people.

Give yourself a glorious view. Open the door and go in. Draw from your mind and heart the magnificent, tender, spirited, exquisite things that are waiting there to be born. Always waiting there to be used. It is a room in the house you are building—"A house not made by hands."

If you travel a purposeless road you will wander around, perhaps covering no space at all—just aimlessly walking in circles. Your road can take you to your goal, to all the beautiful, strong things in life.

Travel light. Get rid of things you don't need. Walk as if on a joyous walking tour, seeing everything, interested, care-free, but with a purpose.

When you reach the end of this road a year from now, may you look back and pronounce everything GOOD.

The Night Before Christmas

By EMMA FLYNN, POET-LAUREATE OF MARIN CITY

T'was the night before Christmas and all through the yards
Raged a terrible head ache and over-worked guards,
Who ended the shift I am sad to impart,
So weary they faltered to write a report.

The Sergeant rushed by to the gate he was going
His car filled with drunks to the verge of or'flowing,
And many another was sharing their fate
All trying to tell him t'was something they ate.

The whole of the yard was some what of a scene
With its gay decorations of crimson and green.
And a big Irish shipwright who had been on a spree
Sang a song of the daughter of Mother McCree.

The painters were spraying the paint far and wide,
While the bottles they emptied went out with the tide.
And a pipefitter suffering a head ache untold,
Tried vainly to crawl from a dry cargo hold.

A welder was trying to work, it is true,
But ambitiously welded the toe of his shoe.
And a hopeless machinist sat flat on the deck,
While a rigger was tieing a rope 'round his neck.

A burner sat down on his torch with a crash,
While the shipfitter foreman was nursing a flash.
And a meek little flanger who had reveled since dawn,
Slept fast while the chippers chipped dizzily on.

Up rushed the "Super," his head in a whirl
And yelled like a wolf at a dizzy young girl.
Go bring me some bromo, a peck or a card,
And pass them around to the whole of the yard.

He picked up the phone and his face turned quite pale
When he heard that poor Santa had landed in jail.
But these things will pass with the holiday cheer.
But thank heaven there is only one Christmas a year.

Family Life

By Vox Populos

"Speaking of New Year's resolutions," muttered Si, "did you ever read Benjamin Franklin's method of carrying out such things?"

"Not I," said I.

"Well, in his autobiography old Ben wrote that all his adult life he carried around a little notebook. In it he had listed the virtues that he thought he ought to cultivate."

"Sounds like growing vegetables," said I.

"Something like," replied Si. "Anyway, every day he hoed out the weeds that grew near his virtues in this manner: In his notebook, alongside his row of virtues, he had columns of squares, one for every day in the week. Just before going to sleep at night and also at odd times during the day, he marked a big 'X' alongside the virtue he had failed to live up to during that day. Each week he concentrated on two virtues that he was trying particularly hard to strengthen."

"What kind of virtues did he try to grow in this garden?" I inquired.

"Well, I don't remember all of them. But they included patience (controlling his temper), understanding (putting himself in the other person's shoes), honesty, thrift (spending money wisely), honesty, chastity, sobriety, kindness—the solid old stock of virtues."

"You know," continued Si, "I'm going to make my own list and try old Ben's idea. Since he did it all his life and he was one of our great Americans, it ought to be worth a try by us common fry."

"Sounds good," said Emma, as she darned one of the kid's socks, "but I don't think it is just enough to put a virtue in front of your self and try by simple will power to reach it. You've got to think about that virtue, why you want it. You have got to have some powerful reason for wanting it and sort of by-pass your bad habit by filling in your mind with something you want."

"For example," Emma, my wife, continued, "my father used to talk so much that his friends never got a chance to put in a word edgewise. One time he lost a good job because of this habit. Finally he wanted greatly to overcome it.

"He schooled himself to take an interest in the person he was talking to, to want to know what that person was interested in, what that person thought and had done. The only way he could find out about this other person was to let the other person talk, to ask him questions and lead him on. As a result, he did achieve a habit of listening instead of just talking out his own ideas."

"You got something there," said Si, as he was leaving. "I'm going to think out the virtues I want, why I want them, and what good ideas I'll pour into my mind to fill it up so that my bad habits are drowned out."

A Year Ago In Marin City

(From The Marin Citizen files of December 31, 1943.)

At the local post office, 154 new boxes were installed, bringing the total up to 654.

Miss Joyce Palmer was elected first "Mayor" of Marin City's new Teener Council. Dorothy Williams was appointed "police matron".

It was announced that Sheriff Walter Selmer would administer the oath of office to the newly-elected teener police force—Konrad Knudsen, Gene Johnson, Bill Rombke, Herbert Halloway and Bob Gruenwald.